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## **News Release**

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## Forest Service cancels public open house for the Yellowjacket Project

**MEEKER, Colo.** – Due to public health considerations, the Blanco Ranger District has decided to cancel the Yellowjacket project public open house planned for April 2, 2020.

The White River National Forest will continue to accept public comments on the Yellowjacket project throughout the remainder of the scoping period, which closes on April 20, 2020. Requests for individual telephone meetings with the White River National Forest to discuss this project are welcome; please call the Blanco Ranger District at (970)878-4039 or (970)878-6001.

The Yellowjacket Project is located in the Wilson Park, Sawmill Mountain and Ellison Mountain areas 16 miles east-northeast of Meeker. The proposed project activities include timber harvest, material source development and transportation system improvements.

This project was developed to improve forest resilience to potential future disturbances by increasing forest diversity across the landscape, provide forest products to local businesses and improve current and future material sources to support road maintenance and road reconstruction. Other benefits of this project include maintenance and improvement of open National Forest System roads.

To submit comments and to obtain additional information and the latest updates, please visit the project webpage at <a href="https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57654">https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57654</a>

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